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NAO. NABEKURA,
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Hongkong, September 22, 1896. 1918

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Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1731

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1513

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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Hongkong, October 6, 1896. 363

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" " 3 " 3 "

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Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 1971

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LONDON	*Ceylon*	E. G. ANDREWS	About 29th Oct.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'AMA	*Aden* †	R. E. L. HILL, R.N.R.	About 30th Oct.
SHANGHAI	*Ravenna*	——	About 1st Nov.
LONDON	*Moultan*	R. L. HADDOCK, R.N.R.	About 13th Nov.

† See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, and further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, H. A. RITCHIE, *Superintendent.*
Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2107

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Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 2008

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Hongkong, September 17, 1896. 1876

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Intimations.

THE WANCHAI WAREHOUSE AND STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN Interim DIVIDEND at the Rate of FOUR PER CENT. (ONE DOLLAR and FIFTY CENTS per SHARE) for Six Months ending 30th June, 1896, will be PAID on application to those Persons who are registered as Shareholders in the above Company, on FRIDAY, the 23rd October, 1896.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 23rd Instant, both days inclusive.

MEYER & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2080

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FINAL BONUS of FIVE PER CENT. on CONTRIBUTIONS and a DIVIDEND of FIFTEEN DOLLARS per Share for the year 1895, will be Payable on FRIDAY, the 9th Instant.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the SOCIETY on and after that date.

By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, October 8, 1896. 2020

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Monie's Family Medicine in India ..	$6.50
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In thorough Repair.
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Apply
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Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2104

NOTICE.

NEITHER the MASTER nor the AGENTS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT incurred by the CREW of the British Barque *West York*.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.
Hongkong, 20, October 1896. 2110

NOTICE.

IN the Spring of the present year, owing to the continued wet weather the flower of teas was not strong. The production of our SUNSHINE CHOP TEA, which is SELECTED for SUPERIOR QUALITY was very small, and the STOCK was SOON SOLD OUT.

It has lately come to our Notice that some Dealers have been using our SUNSHINE CHOP to fraudulently pass off inferior TEAS; this has interfered with our Business and Disappointed Buyers, consequently we beg to point out that we have SOLD of our SUNSHINE CHOP TEA during the Year only the following:—

DEACON & Co... { D M M / $62 } 1,400 Boxes
12 lbs. nett weight, to Monte Video.
DEACON & Co... { M & C / $62 } 400 Boxes
12 lbs. nett weight, to Monte Video.
CARLOWITZ & Co. { T L (in cts.) / $62 } 2,600 Boxes
11½ lbs. nett weight, to Buenos Ayres.
CARLOWITZ & Co. { P H C / $62 } 2,000 Boxes
11½ lbs. nett weight, to Monte Video.

CHOBY SUN.
August, 1896. 2074

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 3961, Issued 5th June, 1889, for 5 SHARES numbered 4987-5091 in the above Office, standing in the Name of Mr. THOMAS STEWART, late of Sydney, has been LOST, and search has been and be produced before the Sixth inst. a NEW SCRIP CERTIFICATE will be ISSUED to the said Mr. THOMAS STEWART, Jr., and no Dividends having been paid on the said Fifth Subscription will be delivered by the Office.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.
Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2101

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from A. S. HOOPER, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 24th October, 1896, at 2.30 p.m., at his residence, 'Devonia,' Peak Road, above the Albany,—

THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

SILK TAPESTRY with PLUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE.
CANTON BLACKWOOD CURIO-STAND, TABLES and STOOLS.
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CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
ONE ENGLISH-MADE ASH BED-ROOM SUITE, consisting of 1 WARDROBE with BEVELLED GLASS DOOR, 1 DUCHESS DRESSING TABLE, 1 MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND and CHAMBER STAND.
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FERNS, PLANTS in POTS and GARDEN STANDS.
ONE LADY'S EVENING CHAIR and ONE SEDAN CHAIR.
&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, on View on *Friday*, the 23rd October, 1896.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, *Auctioneer.*

Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2103

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 286.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 26th day of October, 1896, at 4 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, *Colonial Secretary.*

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. 2105

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 26th day of October, 1896, at 4 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 years.

Particulars of the Lots.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
	Inland Lot								
1	No. 1,388	North of Bowen Road,	205	323	206	320	52,975	360	4,000
2	„ 1,389	Do.,	310	215	315	206	65,500	360	4,000

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Hongkong, October 20, 1896. 1326

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Hongkong, October 8, 1896. 233

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Hongkong, June 8, 1896. 1177

TO LET.

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Apply to J. W. NOBLE.

Hongkong, August 28, 1896. 1742

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship *Haitan*, Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2122

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

The Co.'s Steamship *Memnon*, Capt. MOORIDGE, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2112

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

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Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2123

NOTICE.

THE Annual General MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG BRANCH of the NAVY LEAGUE will be held (by permission) in the Chamber of Commerce, CITY HALL, on FRIDAY, 23rd October, 1896, at 5 p.m.

By Order,
E. W. MITCHELL, *Hon. Secretary.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2075

VICTORIA CHAPTER, No. 525 E.C.

A Regular CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING COMPANIONS are cordially INVITED to attend.

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2121

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Preussen*, Captain P. WETTIN, will leave for the above Place TO-MORROW, the 22nd Inst., at Daylight.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2092

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(*Passing through the* INLAND SEA).

The Co.'s Chartered S.S. *Daphne*, Captain SAMUELSEN, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd Inst. at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2014

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Chingtu*, Captain INNES, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 22nd Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2079

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, *VIA* SWATOW.

The Co.'s Steamship *Chefoo*, Capt. CARNACHAN, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2108

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Suisang*, Capt. T. R GALSWORTHY, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 24th October, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2125

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF CALL.

(*Taking Cargo at through rates for* GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Keemun*, J. BABBER, Commander, will be despatched as above at 5 p.m. on the 26th Instant.

For Freight, etc., apply to HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2038

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *PREUSSEN.*

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

OPTIONAL CARGO will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th Instant, at 3 p.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 30th October, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2124

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Australian Ports	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Oct. 28, at 3 p.m.
Baltimore	El Capitan	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
Bremen & Ports o. Cal.	Preussen (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Nov. 10, at 9 a.m.
Japan	Ancona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 23, at noon.
Kobé	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Oct. 22, 4 p.m.
Kobé and Yokohama	Knight of St. John (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Oct. 24, at 5 p.m.
London, v. Suez Canal	Menelaus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 30.
London & Ports of Call	Pekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 22, at noon.
London, v. Ports of Call	Himeji Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Oct. 31, at noon.
London, v. Ports of Call	Keemun (s)	Holliday, Wise & Co.	Oct. 26, at 5 p.m.
London	Manila (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Nov. 12.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Oct. 22, at 5 p.m.
Marseilles. v. Saigon	Caledonien (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Oct. 28, at noon.
NewYork, v. SuezCanal	Argyll (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Oct. 27, at noon.
New York	Saint Mark	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	William H. Conner	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	William J. Rotch	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	S. D. Carleton	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	William H. Smith	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Doric (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Nov. 4, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	City of Peking (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Oct. 27, at noon.
San Francisco	Casablanca	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
San Francisco	Clan Macfarlane	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
Sandakan and Kudat	Memnon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Oct. 23, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Preussen (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	Oct. 22, daylight.
Shanghai, via Swatow.	Chefoo (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 23, 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Ravenna (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Nov. 1.
S'hai, N'ki, K'bé & Y'ma	Aden (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Oct. 30.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Suisang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Oct. 24, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Havre & H'burg	Erato (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Oct. 22, daylight.
S'pore, C'mbo & B'bay	Idzumi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Oct. 23, at noon.
S'pore, Port Said & Odessa	Sicator (s)	Melchers & Co.	About Oct. 24.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Oct. 23, daylight.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Braemar (s)	Nor. P'fic S. & R. Co.	Nov. 4, noon.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Oct. 28, at noon.
Y'hama, Kobé & N'saki	Daphne (s)	Melchers & Co.	Oct. 22, daylight.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

October 20:—

Krim, Norwegian steamer, 1,117, Irgens, Shanghai October 17, Ballast.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Preussen, German steamer, 5,295, P. Wettin, Bremen Sept. 9, and Singapore October 16, Mails and General.—MELCHERS & Co.

October 21:—

Taisang, British str., from Canton.

Bygdo, Norwegian str., 771, Fritz Ivensen, Newchwang Oct. 14, Beans.—CHINESE.

Glaucus, British steamer, 3,350, J. Barwise, Shanghai October 19, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Loongmoon, German steamer, 1,245, F. Schulz, Shanghai October 18, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Haitan, British str., 1,182, J. S. Roach, Foochow Oct. 18, Amoy 19, and Swatow 20, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Chunshan, British steamer, 1,282, F. J. Ferguson, Swatow October 20, General.—BRADLEY & Co.

Sabine Rickmers, German steamer, 598, J. Sanders, Swatow Oct. 20, Ballast.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Wingsang, British steamer, 1,517, T. Sellar, Shanghai October 18, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

DEPARTURES.

October 21:—

Nanyang, for Canton.
Ask, for Hoihow.
Telena, for Bangkok.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Triumph, for Hoihow.
Dorothea Rickmers, for Bangkok.
Glaucus, for Singapore.
Toonan, for Shanghai.
Australian, for Port Darwin.
Chunshan, for Singapore.
Brindisi, for Singapore.
Bygdo, for Canton.
Loongmoon, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Sabine Rickmers, for Amoy.
Krim, for Port Wallut.
Erato, for Singapore.
Benvoirlich, for Yokohama.
Daphne, for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Preussen*, from Bremen, &c., Miss F. Bock, Miss S. Hahnkost, Mr Humelke (3), Messrs Hansen, Halbritter, Wilks, and Anderson, Mrs Mitroy, Mrs Muncie (2), Mrs Holmes (3), Mrs Brodie (3), Mrs Kieru'f, Mr Simpson (2), Mr Matson (2), Mrs Gillison (3), Mr Furlonge (5), Mrs Valentine (4), Miss E. Buxton, Mr McCurrach, Mr O. Boaz, Baroness v. Reitzenstein (2), Messrs Hildebrand, P. Blesky, Grot, Wolf, Beck, E. Bjorunsen (2), Mrs C. Kranz, Mrs Brooke, Mr W. Menke, Mrs A. Kuhn (2), Mrs S. Komor (2), Mr S. Komor (4), Miss H. Gunizok, Mr Müller, Mr Alfried Klinke (2), Messrs Trautmann, Underwood, and T. Block (2), Messrs Smith and T Clark (2), Mrs G. Henning, Mr F. Plazkosser, and 280 Chinese.

Per *Glaucus*, from Shanghai, 4 Chinese.

Per *Loongmoon*, from Shanghai, Messrs Gillespie, Mergelin, Tang, Asworth, Duncan, and King, and 85 Chinese.

Per *Haitan*, from Coast Ports, Messrs H. W. Andrews, and Cumming, and 153 Chinese.

Per *Wingsang*, from Shanghai, 8 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Ask*, for Hoihow, 107 Chinese.
Per *Haimun*, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.
Per *Triumph*, for Hoihow, 50 Chinese.
Per *Toonan*, for Shanghai, 2 Europeans, and 7 Chinese.
Per *Australian*, for Port Darwin, 8 Europeans, and 20 Chinese.
Per *Chunshan*, for Singapore, 693 Chinese.
Per *Brindisi*, for Singapore, 285 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Daphne*, for Yokohama, 4 Europeans.

Per *Pekin*, from Hongkong: for Singapore, Mr and Mrs R. V. Awdry; for London, Mr L. E Tier, R.N., and Commander H. Cotesworth, R.N. From Shanghai: for Bombay, Mr E. Shellim; for London, Miss Lane, Miss Selby, Mr and Mrs Curnow and child, Messrs T. S. Yew, and P. C. Ohyo. From Kobe: for Bombay, Messrs J. Sons, and Y. Yasukawa; for London, Mr R. Barton Wright.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Preussen* reports: From Singapore fine weather, with Easterly winds.

The British steamer *Glaucus* reports: N.E. winds, and fine weather throughout.

The German steamer *Loongmoon* reports: Fine weather, with moderate to fresh N.E. wind.

The British steamer *Haitan* reports: Fresh N.E. winds, moderate sea, and fine weather throughout. Steamers in Foochow: *Szechuen* and *Loksang*. Steamer in Amoy: *Formosa*. Steamer in Swatow: *Progress*.

The British steamer *Chunshan* reports: Fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Wingsang* reports: Fine weather throughout, with N.E. winds.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per *Rohilla*, sailed 8th October:—For Manchester, 450 bales Waste Silk; for London, 1 box Feather, and 3 cases Silk Goods; for Gibraltar, 1 case Curios; for France, 3 cases Silk Goods, 974 bales Raw Silk, and 200 bales Hemp; for Milan, 10 bales Raw Silk.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For KEBAO.—
Per *Krim*, at 7.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Benvoirlich*, at 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Chefoo*, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For KOBE.—
Per *Chingtu*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—
Per *Taisang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Hyson*, at 4.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *Oslo*, at 4.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.
Per *Kong Beng*, at 9.30 a.m., on Friday, the 23rd October.

For MANILA.—
Per *Zafiro*, at 4.20 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For SINGAPORE & MAURITIUS.—
Per *Wuotan*, at 4.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Haitan*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 22nd October.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Ancona*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 23rd October.

For KUDAT & SANDAKAN.—
Per *Memnon*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 23rd October.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Suisang*, at 2 p.m., on Saturday, the 24th October.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Keemun*, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 26th October.
Per *Argyll*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 27th October.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet *Pekin* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 22nd Oct., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *vid Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet *City of Peking* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 27th October, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage* until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of China* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 28th Oct., with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE

ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office, will be closed at 5 the day before.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
(Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country by country, with the addresses all one way).
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.

LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late Fee.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Daphne* leaves for Y'hama, &c.
Daylight.—*Erato* leaves for Hamburg, &c.
Noon.—English Mail Steamer leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.
4 p.m.—*Chingtu* leaves for Kobe.
5 p.m.—*Zafiro* leaves for Manila.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Japan* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.
Goods per *Mirapore* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, October 23:—
5 p.m.—Meeting of Members of the Hongkong Branch of the Navy League in the Chamber of Commerce, City Hall.

SATURDAY, October 24:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at the Residence of Mr A. S. Hooper, 'Devonia,' above the Albany.
9 p.m.—Convocation of Victoria Chapter.

WEDNESDAY, October 28:—
Goods per *Preussen* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Exchange

HONGKONG, October 21, 1896.

On London—
Bank, Wire, ... 2/1⅜
„ On demand, ... 2/1⅜
„ 30 days' sight, ... 2/1 7/16
„ 4 months' sight, ... 2/1½
Credits, 4 „ „ ... 2/1½
Documentary, 4 months' sights, ... 2/1⅝
On Paris—
On demand, ... 2.66
Credits, 4 months' sight, ... 2.71
On Berlin—Demand, ... 2.15
On New York—
On demand, ... 51¼
Credits, 60 days' sight, ... 52½
On Bombay—
Wire, ... 175¼
On demand, ... 176
On Calcutta—
Wire, ... 175½
On demand, ... 176
On Shanghai—
On demand, ... 72¾
30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 73¾
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael) ... $48.00
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ... $ 9.28
Silver (per oz.) ... 30⅛d.

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.03	30.14	30.02
Temperature	83	78	81
Humidity	66	51	59
Direction of Wind	—	—	—
Force	0	0	0
Weather	b	b	c
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 20th 85
Lowest open air temperature on the 20th 73

F. G. FIGG, *First Assistant.*

Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 21, 1896.

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Hongkong, July 4, 1896. [illegible]

BIRTH.

At Tientsin, on the 10th October, the wife of J. IVER M. DRUMMOND, I.M. Customs, of a Son.

DEATHS.

At Kobe, Japan, on the 15th October, JAMES BANNERMAN, late of Shanghai, in his 74th year.

On the 20th October, 1896, at the Mount Austin Hotel, Hongkong, Major GEORGE KENRICK MOORE, A.P.D., late South Wales Borderers; aged 39.

The publication of this issue commenced at 6.10 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1896.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ-CANAL.

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Benledi*, *Strathtay*, Sept. 25th; *Benalder*, *Gordu*, *Agapanthus*, 29th; *Agamemnon*, *Chingwoo*, *Voroney*, Oct. 2nd; *Aden*, *Glenfarg*, *Hector*, *Radnorshire*, *Deike* (*Rickmers I*), 6th; *Elax*, *Salazie*, *Adour*, 9th; *Achilles*, *Glengarry*, *Oceana*, *Courtfield*, *Hekla*, 13th; *Palawan*, 16th; *Benlawers*, *Moyune*, *Cephalonia*, *Kagoshima*, *Morven*, *Nerite*, 20th.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Myrmidon*, *Senta*, *Bengloe*, Sept. 29th; *Riojun Maru*, Oct. 2nd; *Benmohr*, *Formosa*, Oct. 6th; *Bayern*, *Frigga*, 13th; *Saghalien*, *Diomed*, 16th; *Aglaia*, *Shanghai*, 20th.

Mails.

The P. M. Co. s. s. *China*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 8th Oct.

The *Ernest Simons*, with the FRENCH MAIL of 25th September, left Singapore on Monday, the 19th Oct., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 26th Oct. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on August 29th.

The O. & O. s. s. *Doric*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of 30th Sept., left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 21st October, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 28th Oct.

The *Empress of India* left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 13th Oct.

Steamers Expected.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Hyson*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of Oct. 16th, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd Oct.

The N. Y. K. Chartered str. *Knight of St. John* left Singapore for this port on Thursday, the 15th inst., and is due here on the 22nd inst.

The N. Y. K. str. *Idzumi Maru* left Moji for this port on Saturday, the 17th inst., and may be expected to arrive on the 22nd inst.

The s.s. *Glengyle*, from Antwerp, London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Saturday morning, the 17th inst.

The N. G. I. s.s. *Letimbro* left Singapore for this port on Oct. 19, and is due here on or about the 27th Oct.

The C. P. R. Co.'s Chartered str. *Hupeh* left Astoria on the 28th Sept. for Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Hongkong.

The N. P. s. *Braemar* left Tacoma and Victoria for this port on the 7th Oct.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Tacoma* sailed from Tacoma on the 17th Oct., for Hongkong via Japan ports.

Latest Advices.

The P. M. s.s. *Peru*, with mails &c., which left hence Sept. 22nd for San Francisco via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 19th Oct.

The O. & O. s. s. *Belgic*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 17th Oct.

COLOMBO is enforcing a strict quarantine on all arrivals from Bombay, on account of the plague epidemic at the Indian port.

ON Sunday, about noon, while blasting operations were in progress at Tsimshatsui Point, in consequence of proper precautions not being taken to prevent splinters being scattered about, several stones were thrown up, and the time ball and tower was damaged. The contractor was brought up before Commander Hastings at the Magistracy to-day, and having previously been fined $15 for the same offence, an increased penalty of $50 was imposed.

FOR some time past a litter of young pigs have been noticed disporting themselves on the hill above Pokfulam Road, and the off-duty guardians of the peace from the station in the vicinity have frequently had splendid sport in endeavouring to capture these pachydermatous quadrupeds, which are stated to be as nimble as rabbits. On Sunday last a large black and white pig was captured somewhere in the vicinity of Pokfulam Road by a crowd of Chinese. The question now arose as to how the spoil was to be divided. But there happened to be a Christian who had evidently been studying the proverbs of Solomon with great assiduity, amongst those crowds of sinners, and he declined to obey the injunction to 'Cast in thy lot amongst us; let us all have one purse;' and suggested that the proper course would be to report the matter to the Police. Then dissension arose amidst the company, and the guardians of the peace heard their loud talking, and sweeping down upon the crowd, claimed the innocent cause of all the trouble. Grumphy now revels in the compound at Wanchai, in which all foundlings of this description find a home.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon—Activ, Loyal, Halloing, Strathallan, Saratov, H.M.S. Wivern, Henngshan, Sultberg.
Cosmopolitan.—John Bailey, Gaelic, Sharpano, Nanshan.
Aberdeen.—Sendai Maru, Shaftesbury.

60 NEW PIANOS just arrived; best makers. Also Cabin and Travelling Pianos, guaranteed for the climate. W. ROBINSON & Co.

THE annual meeting of the Navy League, which was to have been held this afternoon, has been postponed till Friday, owing to the funeral of Major Moore.

PROFESSOR ISCOVISCO has arranged to hold a grand matinée for children at the Hall of Mysteries, Duddell Street, on Saturday afternoon, at 5.15 o'clock. We commend this entertainment to parents and guardians, as of a high-class and entertaining character.

ON arrival at Shanghai on the 16th inst., the *Hsinfung* reported a steamer, name unknown, ashore below the Kiutoan Lightship, and that the Little Kiutoan beacon light had changed from occulting to fixed. Something had probably gone wrong with the occulting machinery.

THE appointment of the Hon. C. P. Chater and Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving to be unofficial members of the Executive Council of Hongkong is notified in the London *Gazette* of the 18th September; also the appointment of the Hon. Wai A Yuk to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council.

'VOLUNTEER' writes to the *N.-C. Daily News* urging a reorganisation of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps. The formation of a Scotch Company being likely to become an accomplished fact, the writer thinks it an opportune moment to carry out the reorganisation.

THE *Singapore Free Press* says:—The chartered transport *Cephalonia* (Anchor Line), which brings out the 1st Battalion 5th Fusiliers to Gibraltar and then the West Yorkshire Regiment from Gibraltar for Hongkong, will pass through Singapore on November 4. She will call here again on the return journey, with the Rifle Brigade on board, probably about November 24th, and will take the 5th Fusiliers away a day or two later, for Gibraltar, where four hundred men will be dropped for the 1st Battalion, the headquarters going on to Portland.

ON the arrival of the Blue Funnel steamer *Nestor* at Singapore from Hongkong on the 15th inst., the police made an important arrest of chandu smugglers. Informed beforehand that an attempt was to be made to smuggle in chandu from Hongkong, the police boarded the vessel on her arrival, and made a careful search, with the satisfactory result that no less than $450 worth of the drug was discovered carefully concealed in tea chests, and cunningly made up in the form of sausages. The two Chinese passengers, in whose luggage the chandu was found, were at once arrested.

THE Sanitary Board meets to-morrow at 4.15 p.m.:—

Order of the day.—Revocation of Bye-laws 8 and 9 made under sub-section 6 of section 13 of Ordinance 24 of 1887. *Agenda.*—1. Two returns showing the progress of cholera in Singapore. 2. Correspondence concerning two cases of small-pox reported to have occurred in ships arriving in the Harbour. 3. Correspondence concerning the disposal of carcases of animals brought into the waters of the Colony. 4. A letter recommending the removal of the steam disinfecting apparatus to Kennedy Town. 5. Report for quarter ended 30th September, 1896, regarding Slaughter-houses, Markets, etc. 6. Report concerning the illegal practices of a butcher holding a stall in the Yaumati Market. 7. An application for permission to erect water-closets in lieu of some now in existence. 8. A request that the ground surface of 42 Elgin Street be not required to be concreted. 9. Mortality Returns for the weeks ended the 10th and 17th October, 1896. 10. Papers having reference to the recent strike by the nightmen employed by Householders.

WE have more than once called attention to a few minor privileges which might fairly be extended to efficient Volunteers in Hongkong. It is, we understand, the custom in other Colonies to hold a certain percentage of the members of a Volunteer Corps exempt from service on the Jury. To relieve every member would, of course, be impossible in a small European community like Hongkong. But it would have been a graceful compliment to the Corps if the Volunteers who had served for the last week or eight days at Stonecutter's Island had been excused from serving on the Jury at this Sessions of the Supreme Court. It may be said that the labours of the common juryman are not very onerous in these days; but that is not the question. Every Volunteer who took part in the Camp Exercise last week was necessarily absent from his own duties while he was at Stonecutter's Island serving the community. If, therefore, the Volunteers had been excused from continuing the sacrifice to the public weal, and been relieved from Jury work, the privilege so extended would, in our opinion, have been accepted with readiness by the entire Corps as a considerata recognition of their services in Camp. Employers also would more readily grant leave of absence to their men were such consideration shown. We do not doubt but that His Honour the Chief Justice will do what he can to secure this privilege for our local defenders. And, by the way, we fancy H.E. the Governor is the Hon. Colonel of the Corps.

PATENT MUSIC BOXES, Violins [illegible], Mandolines, and Strings of all kinds. W. ROBINSON & Co.

MR LAVINO, Consul General for the Netherlands at Singapore, has retired.

THE *Singapore Free Press* has been making enquiry regarding the rumour of a Hongkong contemporary that Mr H. B. Lethbridge, Governor of Victoria Gaol, was likely to be transferred to Singapore, and is able to state that the Straits Government has no information on the subject.

SEVERAL Spanish soldiers were left behind at Singapore by the transport *Isla de Luzon* which was passing through on the 12th inst. for Manila. The passengers had gone ashore sightseeing, and overstayed their leave. They will be sent on to Manila by the next steamer. The Spanish transport *Isla de Panay*, and probably also the *Leon XIII*, with reinforcements for the Philippines, are expected to arrive at Manila about the end of this or the beginning of next month.

IN the first seven months of the present year, the revenue of the Sankakan district of Borneo amounted to as much as the estimate for the whole twelve months.

LABUAN coal is commanding a very good sale to passing steamers, which call at Labuan to coal. It is likely that a new, additional, shaft will be sunk soon.

THE *Times* puts the Armenian question so far as it affects Britain very fairly in its leader of the 18th Sept.:—

'Is the nation really prepared to bring down, not upon itself alone, not alone upon its millions of dependents in Asia and its tens of thousands of colonists throughout the globe, but upon all the peoples of Europe, the horrors of a universal war, in the hope—for it is only a hope—that the result may be to ameliorate the condition of the Armenians?'

THE absorption of Russia by China is definitely fixed, writes the Peking correspondent of the *N.-C. Daily News*. Seven hundred Chinese teachers, Doctors, Masters, and Bachelors of Arts are to proceed at once to Russia to begin teaching the Chinese language and literature to the unenlightened serfs of the White Czar. The Russian churches throughout the vast dominions of the Emperor of all the Russias are to be converted at once into Confucian temples. Confucianism is such a pure and tender religion that it will not bear transporting across vast ocean or over arid steppes, and even if it and the Chinese language were taught to the Russians in China, they—the Russians—on returning to their own country would have forgotten both the language and religion of Confucius, hence the above arrangement. The Russians are going to don the costume which was in vogue in China in the Mongol or the Ming Dynasty and not that of the great Pure Dynasty as formerly reported. The *queue* will therefore not adorn the Russian cranium—the *coiffure* will resemble that in vogue at present in Corea or that of the Taoist priests, the hair being fastened in a knot on the top of the head by means of a bodkin. In order to prove the truth of these rumours, now so current at the capital, it is only necessary to proceed to the Russian Legation to observe the transformation which has taken place in the costume of its members. After a visit paid it was found that the change has not yet been introduced, but is shortly expected. And such a subjugation of the North is not remarkable, for have not Tartars, Mongols, and Manchus in turn seized the Dragon Throne, and in every case has not the conquered led their conquerors captive?

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 21st October, Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—

With the exception of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank stock, which, during the early part of the week, ruled very quiet, owing to tightness of money at home and the unsettled state of political affairs and a lower London quotation, a steady business has been transacted in most of the leading stocks, without any important change in rates taking place.

Banks.—Small sales of Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have taken place at 189 per cent premium, but as the money market and political affairs at home now appear easier and more settled an advance in rates is not unlikely. The London quotation is £42. Nationals have been done at $26 and there are further buyers at the rate.

Marine Insurances.—Unions keep steady at $285 without any business. China Traders have been sold in small lots at $76. Cantons are wanted at $184 ex the final dividend of $8 per share paid on the 20th instant. Straits are offering at $27½.

Fire Insurances.—China Fires have been sold and are wanted at $97. Hongkong Fires have changed hands in small lots at $341.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboats have been taken off the market to a considerable extent at $33½ and are steady at the rate. Indo-Chinas have advanced to $43½ and are still in demand. For March sales have been effected at $45½ and $46. Douglas Steamships have, for no apparent reason, dropped to $55, at which rate sales have taken place. China Mutuals £5 paid up have been sold at £2.

Refineries.—China Sugars have again been dealt in to a fairly large extent at $140 and for March at $146, but at the close the market is slightly easier with sales and sellers at $139. Luzons advanced to $58 with a fair number of sales at the rate, but they are again obtainable at $57. On time, business has been done for February at $60, and for April at $61.

Mining.—Punjoms have fluctuated between $11½ and $12 with shares changing hands at both and intermediate rates, closing with sellers at the latter. Jelebus are offering $0.90. Raubs are in demand at $6.25.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been slightly easier and sales at 218 per cent. premium have been effected, the market closing with buyers. Kowloon Wharf shares have been in some demand and sales at $59 have taken place.

Land, Hotel and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been done at $78 and are offering at the rate. Kowloon Lands are in the market at $18½. Hongkong Hotels have been sold at $28½.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements are in demand at $17. A. S. Watsons have been done at $12.80. Electrics have changed hands at $8.80. Ropes have found ready buyers at $129 and $130 and close very firm. A small sale of Fenwicks has been effected at $29½. Ices are wanted at $107 but no shares appear to be obtainable. Tramways are also in demand without finding sellers. Ewos have at last come into notice and have advanced to Tls. 54 at which rate sales are reported in the North.

REUTERS TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, 19th October, 1896.

GREAT BRITAIN AND TURKEY.

At a crowded meeting in St. James' Hall, it was resolved to support the Government in any steps to end the reign of terror in Turkey. A letter from Gladstone deprecated abridging Lord Salisbury's discretion by prescribing any particular line of action.

WEATHER NOTICES.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 21st at 11.10 a. Except in Japan the barometer is rising generally, particularly on the E. coast of China. Gradients are slight, but increasing. Forecast:—moderate or fresh N. E. winds: fine.

FUNERAL OF MAJOR G. K. MOORE.

The death took place yesterday evening of Major G. K. Moore, of the Army Pay Department, at Mount Austin Hotel. The deceased officer suffered from a painful affection of the liver, and more than a fortnight ago his case was reported as hopeless. He died at the comparatively early age of thirty-nine. Major Moore, who held rank in the South Wales Borderers, was appointed to the Army Pay Department in Hongkong in 1893. He was well-known in sporting matters, and was for some time Secretary of the Rifle Association.

The funeral, which took place this afternoon, was largely attended. The cortege left the Wellington Barracks shortly after four o'clock. A firing party, consisting of two hundred men from the Rifle Brigade, headed the funeral procession. The gun carriage, which bore the coffin, was drawn by men of the Rifle Brigade. The coffin was completely covered with wreaths. The Rifle Brigade Band played Beethoven's Dead March. Captain Sterling, A.D.C., represented H. E. the Governor, and amongst the others present were Major-General Black, Chief Justice Carrington, and a large number of influential residents. All the officers of the Garrison who were off duty were also present. There were representative detachments from the Hongkong Regiment, the Royal Engineers, Royal Artillery, and bluejackets from the men-of-war in the harbour. A large number of civilians joined the cortege at the monument. From the gate of the cemetery the coffin was carried by men of the Rifle Brigade to the grave. After the coffin was lowered into the grave, a salute was fired by the firing party.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(*Before His Honour J. W. Carrington, Chief Justice.*)

Wednesday, October 21.

MANSLAUGHTER.

Lam Hung was charged with the manslaughter of Kam Woo on the 30th September.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

Hon. H. E. Pollock (instructed by Mr A. B. Johnson) prosecuted on behalf of the Crown. Prisoner was undefended.

The following jurors were sworn:—Messrs Chen Ping U, E. A. Hardoon, R. T. Gribble, V. I. dos Remedios, A. Aldoolrahim, F. M. de Jesus, and E. M. Roberts.

Mr Pollock explained that the prisoner had an interest in a ricksha shop at 68 and 70 Queen's Road East. It would appear that the prisoner's wife had a share in that shop. Deceased was employed in the shop in a subordinate capacity as an apprentice, and his only duties were to saw wood. On the 30th September, about noon, four persons took their tiffin in that ricksha shop—the prisoner, the deceased, a shroff and an accountant. Everything went smoothly during the tiffin. After tiffin the accountant and the shroff were walking about the shop when they heard a quarrel going on between the prisoner and the deceased. It would appear the quarrel arose from the fact that deceased wished to clear away the things after tiffin, and the prisoner said something to the effect, 'Don't hurry so much; let me finish.' The prisoner then gave deceased a push with his hand, and the deceased in turn gave the prisoner a push, which led to blows. Three or four blows were given and suddenly the deceased fell flat over on his face on the floor, and the prisoner seeing the effect of his blows ran off, but was arrested in the afternoon, between three and four o'clock. The man who had been knocked insensible was attended by a Chinese doctor, but died shortly afterwards. He might mention that doctor had since disappeared. Dr Bell afterwards examined the body, and stated that death, in his opinion, was caused by the shock received from internal injuries and these injuries might have been caused by a fight in this way. Prisoner made a statement at the Police Station to the effect that he came back late for tiffin, and the deceased would not let him have it. He was badly knocked about by the other three, and in the course of the struggle he knocked against the deceased and caused him to fall. If it came out that the deceased had not taken part in the fight, but had just taken action to defend himself, he asked the jury to return a verdict of manslaughter.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, but recommended the prisoner to the mercy of the Court.

His Lordship passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

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THE *Sarawak Gazette* tells how, on the 29th of August, a Dyak woman of Lipat, was returning home in a small boat accompanied only by her daughter; the mother was seated in the bows and the girl was steering. On the way, a large crocodile leaped from the jungle into the river, seized the woman, and dragged her into the water. The daughter threw herself upon the reptile and, thrusting her fingers into its eyes, compelled it, after a sharp struggle, to release its prey. She then got her mother on to the bank and found that she was severely injured by the saurian's teeth. Help arriving, the poor woman was conveyed home.

CRICKET.

C. COMPANY, R.B., v. HONGKONG COLTS.

This match was played at the Happy Valley on Saturday, and resulted in a hollow victory for the Company by 85 runs. Scores:—

C. COMPANY.

Boyles, b Kew	3
Smith, b Kew	4
Corpl. Brook, l.b.w., b Brett	1
Reed, run out	11
Franks, b Brett	26
Collins, b Kew	3
Wilson, b Kew	16
Pipe, b Kew	19
Hodson, c Kew, b Netto	2
Ryan, c Brett, b Netto	0
Foster, not out	9
Extras	10
Total	103

COLTS.

Shelly, c Franks, b Collins	3
Gifford, b Brook	1
C. T. Kew, b Brook	0
Hyndman, c Collins b Brook	0
F. Kew, c Ryan, b Collins	1
Brett, b Brook	5
Carvalho, b Collins	0
Seth, run out	3
Gonsalves, b Collins	0
Madar, not out	2
Netto, absent	—
Extras	3
Total	18

CANTON NOTES.

(*From Our Own Correspondent.*)

Canton, Oct. 19.

There seems to be very little of general interest transpiring here lately. The pair of 'Braves' at 9 p.m. blow their horns on the Bridge of Shameen, fire off two guns, and forthwith Canton 'turns in.' The performance is repeated at early dawn, and forthwith Canton 'turns out.' Happy is that city that is lulled to dreamless repose at the sound of Chinese music, and, in the early morning, is roused again by the same strains!

MURDER.

This monotony was broken a day or two ago by a cold-blooded murder. This murder is reported to have been perpetrated on Honam. The victim was a married woman and the murderer her husband. It appears that the unfortunate wife's mother in-law repeatedly complained to her son that his wife was in the habit of 'gadding about' during his absence, and thus neglecting her work. On the morning of the tragedy, she rushed off to the woodyard where her son was working and began to grumble. The exasperated son snatched up a knife, rushed home, and stabbed his wife to death. She was holding an infant in her arms; fortunately, it escaped uninjured. The murderer decamped. The neighbours, having failed to capture the husband, seized the mother-in-law and bound her in her house. What the issue of the inquest has been I have not heard.

RENOVATION OF A TEMPLE.

During last week, much of particular interest—to the Cantonese—has transpired. The city during 'many days' was half-frantic with enthusiasm. A large temple dedicated to *Pak Tai* 北帝 the god of the North Star—has been renovated. Much time and money have been devoted to the renovation of the building, which was recently finished. The idol has been, therefore, peregrinating, and enjoying a little fresh air. In other words, there has been a series of Chut Yau 出遊. For three or four days nearly everybody seems to have gone out into the streets to stare at the processions which the Chinese so much admire, and in whose efficacy to ward off disease and calamity they so heartily believe. I was told that more than 10,000 country people came into Canton last Saturday.

A MISSION CHAPEL DESTROYED.

I hear too, from a reliable source, that the rabble have burnt to the ground a Mission Chapel, ill-treated some native Christians, and killed an old woman in the Tung Kun District. For some time past very disquieting rumours of the unsettled state of that part have been 'floating about' Canton. I believe, moreover, that there has been some bitterness between the Protestants and Roman Catholics, and the latter, being the stronger, have treated the Protestants somewhat roughly; so the story goes. Readers of the last three numbers of the *Missionary Recorder* will remember the discreditable feuds that have broken out in the district around Swatow. The Roman Catholics are reported to be adopting the same tactics in the Tungkun District. It is not implied here, however, that the Catholics are implicated in the destruction of this Chapel. These outbreaks are greatly to be deplored. These cause great bitterness; the chasm between Christians and non-Christians is widened; much trouble and work are given to the Consuls, and native officials. They will, however, happen, in the present state of feeling, and no amount of care and conciliation can altogether prevent them.

The Presbyterians are to-day opening a new Chapel at San Ning. The building, which is large and well-furnished, has been erected by Chinese Christians. Most of the money, however, has, I believe, been transmitted from the Chinese of the 'Golden Mountain.' Thus, whilst driven back at one point, and checked for the moment, Christianity is moving forward at others, and nothing can hinder its general if slow advance.

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MRS. BLINGO—Bobbie, will you promise me not to fight any more after this? Bobby (firmly)—I will, mamma. This was the only boy in the neighbourhood I hadn't licked.

IMPORTANT RIFLE MATCH—REGULARS V. VOLUNTEERS.

BATTLE OF EXPLOSIVES.

The great rifle match, which has been looked forward to with the liveliest interest in military circles, between the regular troops located in the Home District command and the Volunteers of Middlesex, took place on the 17th Sept. on the Government ranges at Pirbright. It was expected that the victory would have been on the soldiers' side, as they have been in possession of the Lee-Metford rifle for some years, whereas the Volunteers have had very little practice with that weapon. The ammunition was also different, the Regulars using cordite and the Volunteers rifleite, both smokeless powders. The result, however, was contrary to the general idea, for the Volunteers achieved an easy victory by 101 points. Each team was represented by twenty men, and the conditions were seven rounds each at 200, 500, and 600 yards. Lieut. [illegible]yon, 3rd Grenadiers, and Major Twisaday, Queen's Westminster Volunteers, captained the respective teams. At 2.30 the match commenced in half a gale of wind, blowing from the left rear, and from the commencement it was seen that the Volunteers were in good form. At the conclusion of this distance the riflemen obtained a lead of 23 points, putting on 590 points against 567 by the Army. On going back to 500 yards the wind increased, but a grand total was here made by the Volunteers of 613 points against 592, to which Sergeant King and Sergeant Fulton, G.M., put on all bulls, or 35 points each. At 600 yards the Regulars fell more behind, and the Volunteers won easily by 101 points. The totals were: Volunteers, 200 yards, 590; 500 yards, 613; 600 yards, 593; aggregate, 1,796. Regulars: 567, 592, 536; total, 1,695. The best individual scores were, for the winning side, Sergt. Fulton, G.M., Queen's Westminster Rifles, 99 (31, 35, 33); Sergeant King, Post Office Rifles, 97; and Private Hope, L.R.B., 95; and for the losers, Sergeant-Instructor Milne, Gordon Highlanders, 95 (29, 33, 33); Colour-Sergeant Baker, 3rd Battalion Grenadiers, 93, and Major Cowen, R.E., 92 points.

THE PROSPECTS OF REFORM IN CHINA.

Writing from Peking on the 5th October, the correspondent of the *N.-C. Daily News* says:—

The Reform Society or Official Book Depôt contemplates the establishment of a University at the capital, in the meantime, for the teaching of English; the establishment in each provincial capital of middle schools and in each district of grammar schools. The pupils under twenty years of age should be enrolled in the latter, in the middle schools till twenty-five, and after that age in the central or High School at Peking. The scheme looks fine on paper but is China sincere in wishing for this scheme and has she the money to carry it out? Besides this school scheme, the Society has also in contemplation the starting of a newspaper [illegible]ess in all the provinces; and the thir[illegible] [illegible] its plans embraces the establishment of an interpretorial department for the translation of all sorts of scientific works into Chinese.

A noteworthy arrival at the capital is Shêng Taotai who has come principally it is supposed to press for the construction of the Hankow Railway under his management. The great desideratum is, of course, funds, but these are likely to be forthcoming from one of the American syndicates with whom the Taotai stands in close and intimate relationship. It was bruited abroad that Shêng wanted Imperial authority to borrow the money under governmental security, but this the Chinese government is not likely to do when its own loans are so difficult to float and the application for shares all distinct failures. With the rise in the Bank Rate and at 5 per cent interest China must bid adieu to negotiating any more loans. Shêng Taotai arrived here on the 21st of September, and at once proceeded to the Iho Park on a visit to the Empress Dowager and Prince Kung. The Viceroy Chang has proposed him as Director of the railway. As he is now owner of the Hanyang ironworks, it is important that he secure the railway in order to utilise the output of the works, otherwise it will prove a white elephant on his hands. He must recognise the impossibility of raising forty or fifty millions of taels from his own people if the railway is to be under official management. The government has demanded a ten-million-tael guarantee which under the conditions is difficult to obtain. If the concession were granted, the money doubtless would be forthcoming, even perhaps in great part from the rich Chinese themselves, but without a concession in hand who is going to subscribe? Foreign money is interdicted by the express terms of the Edict. Of course there is a way round this difficulty but it is not as some suppose by borrowing so much foreign capital and paying interest upon it. In this way China will never have railways. Li Hung-chang will be able to report how very backward China is compared with the West; how expensive, slow, troublesome, and painful travelling in China is. He has visited the various large countries of the world—has circumnavigated the globe and has done it all in less than six months.

The most noteworthy departure has been that of Count Cassini, the Russian Minister and suite, on September the 30th, attended by the former French Legation physician Dr Depasse, overland *viâ* Siberia. The Count did not wait the arrival of H.E. Li Hung-chang who is so shortly expected and who is now in Tientsin. The baggage of the Russian party had been packed up some three or more weeks previously. The carts and mule litters were actually standing within the courts of the Legation. There were frequent reports of the intention of the party to start. Some negotiations have evidently been on the carpet and not until that was obtained did the Count move. His Excellency takes home with him an important agreement supposed to be the right of way for the Siberian railway across northern Manchuria. The concession is granted to Russia for thirty years, after which time it is redeemable by China. Besides this convention there is doubtless a much larger measure under consideration, the outlines of which were apparently drawn up in St. Petersburg during the late visit of the ex-Viceroy. It will be found, it is feared, that China was sold herself to Russia to an extent unanticipated by the outside world. Before agreeing to an advance of the tariff duties it is to be hoped that Lord Salisbury will demand a clear and full statement of these negotiations with Russia as a preliminary to any discussion of the question.

Count Cassini has had a career here of unexampled success. Of course it is well to have a great Power with a fixed and strong policy behind one, and one which marches with China along her whole northern and north-western frontier. The Minister has always been conciliatory, hospitable, and accessible to all. The Club would have elected him Director had it not been well understood that he was shortly leaving. Mr Pavloff has been left in charge and in his hands the interests of Russia are safe and will be honourably guarded. It is hoped that he will see his way to resuming his membership of the Club along with the other members of his Legation. The Club would certainly welcome back those who found it necessary to [illegible]

THE PLAGUE AT BOMBAY.

Bombay, October 2.—The Surgeon-General and Sanitary Commissioner are of opinion that the outbreak in Mandvi is the bubonic plague, but of the mild type. There were, according to the official report, 26 fresh cases up to 10 a.m. yesterday, with 10 deaths. No new area is affected, and the number of deaths in Bombay for the week ending the 29th ultimo was 720, being 73 more than in the preceding week, 197 more than in the corresponding week last year, and 193 more than in the corresponding period for the previous five years.

October 3.—There was a slight improvement yesterday as regards the plague, the number of fresh cases reported being 21 and deaths 15, as against 26 fresh cases and 24 deaths the previous day, and not 10 as at first reported.

Allahabad, October 3.—It seems only too probable that passengers from Bombay to Europe will have to undergo quarantine on arrival at European ports. The scare as regards the plague will probably be greater on the Continent than that which always occurs when cholera breaks out. It may become a matter of consideration whether the mails may not have to be shipped from Karachi.

Bombay, October 5.—There are signs that the plague is abating, the number of fresh cases reported yesterday being 10, and deaths 6, as against 32 fresh cases and 15 deaths the previous day. Large numbers of people are still leaving the city.

QUARANTINE AT NAPLES.

London, October 4.—Owing to the bubonic plague outbreak at Bombay, arrivals from India at Naples will be placed in quarantine.

AN EXODUS OF 60,000 PERSONS.

Calcutta, October 5.—It is believed that, owing to the vigorous action of the authorities, the Bombay plague is abating. During the twenty-four hours ending at 10 o'clock yesterday morning only ten fresh cases (six deaths) had occurred; a few showers of rain would probably stamp out the disease. It is estimated that sixty thousand people have left Bombay since the outbreak.

Oct. 6.—The number of deaths from the plague at Bombay at 10 o'clock yesterday morning for the previous 24 hours was ten. The Corporation has voted a lakh of rupees for measures to extirpate the disease.

THE INFECTION SPREADING.

The plague has broken out at Ahmedabad. The symptoms are distinct. Active measures are being taken to prevent the disease spreading. Sheds are being erected outside the city for the segregation of patients. Ahmedabad has many qualifications favouring the disease. It is densely populated, and the water supply is indifferent.

At Bombay yesterday, eighteen deaths took place, and the outlook is more serious, as several of the deaths occurred in other parts of the town. The Health Officer is finding great difficulty in getting labourers for cleaning and disinfecting, owing to their fears of contagion. Dead rats have been discovered in bales of dates from the Persian Gulf, which favours the supposition that these animals are specially susceptible to the disease and very likely spread the plague.

October 8.—The plague scourge is still spreading in Bombay. Seventeen new cases and eight deaths have occurred in the northern parts of the town, where there is no drainage. Rats and poultry are dying. If the outbreak spreads, the health department will be unable to cope with it.

PRECAUTIONS AT CALCUTTA.

Calcutta, October 1st.—At a meeting of the Corporation held this evening, the officiating Chairman told the Commissioners that, according to their instructions, the Health Officer here had taken vigorous steps to cleanse the dirtiest and most congested part of the town, namely the Burra Bazaar. Two hundred coolies and 60 carts had been engaged in addition to the existing cleansing establishment. He would write to Government to-morrow stating that the Commissioners were prepared to spend any amount of money if they found that it was necessary to do so.

In answer to a question put by the Commissioner, the Chairman said that Dr Dutt, who had been sent from here to Bombay as a special analyst to examine the patients suffering from the so-called plague, had written to Dr Simpson saying that he had not been able as yet to discover any bubonic bacteria in the blood of the patients.

Oct. 2.—A letter has been addressed by the Government of Bengal to the Calcutta Municipality, suggesting elaborate precautions against the plague. The Commissioners are recommended to select a site for a temporary plague hospital, and arrange for its prompt erection, should necessity arise. The use of special carts for the conveyance of cases 'hospital, and the division of the town into sanitary circles in charge of a Medical Inspector are also recommended. Government will be prepared to appoint a Medical Board to assist the Municipality in devising measures to deal with the outbreak if necessary.

The East Indian Railway authorities have posted native doctors with a special knowledge of symptoms of the plague at Asansol, Allahabad and Tundla stations to see that none of the passengers by the Bombay trains are suffering from the disease. In the event of any cases being detected, special arrangements will be made for their treatment and for the detachment and disinfection of carriages.

Oct. 8.—Precautionary measures in Calcutta are being quietly but vigorously pushed forward. Two hospitals are to be constructed in an isolated spot, which has been already selected, and plans have been formed for an ambulance corps.

BOMBAY INFECTED FROM HONGKONG.

Colombo, Oct. 5.—Telegrams reaching us from Calcutta would seem to indicate that the outbreak of plague which occurred at Bombay is slowly abating. But the insidious manner in which it has been introduced into Bombay from Hongkong should cause the medical authorities here to spare no pains to prevent a like occurrence in Colombo.—*Times of Ceylon.*

PRECAUTIONS AT COLOMBO.

Oct. 6.—Yesterday afternoon Mr F. H. Price, the Mayor of Colombo, summoned before him the Sanitary Officer, the Superintendent of Works, the Inspectors of the various wards and the scavenging contractor, and, addressing them in a body, impressed upon them the importance of doing everything in their power to prevent the introduction of the plague into Colombo. They had doubtless all heard of the precautionary measures taken by the medical authorities, especially by the Port Surgeon, and he trusted they would all co-operate and secure the object in view. If any pressing matter were brought to his notice he would give it his immediate attention, and would be prepared to sanction any extra expenditure incurred. He particularly wished the scavenging contractor to see properly to the conservancy of the town, and, if required, to put on extra carts, and incur other extra expenses which he would see duly paid.—*Times of Ceylon.*

Oct. 8.—Our contemporary the *Pioneer* calls attention to the fact that there is no necessity for any considerable alarm amongst the European or Eurasian communities with reference to the outbreak of bubonic plague in Bombay, and mentions the fact that in Hongkong these communities enjoyed practical immunity from the disease, while it was raging in the native quarters. The same remark applies, of course, to the European and Cingalese communities in Colombo. Some Europeans, it is true, were attacked and died in Hongkong, but their number was very small, and our contemporary points out that this bubonic form of plague seems only able to flourish in foul and closely-packed tenements, where the sanitary surroundings are of the worst. It is a filth disease, essentially, and it can be checked by the application of sanitary science, as was proved conclusively in Hongkong. Our contemporary continues:—

'It is far less infectious than typhus fever, which fortunately has never invaded India, and it is probably less fatal than bad epidemic small-pox. There is, therefore, no great reason to be scared about its appearance in Bombay, and the measures now being adopted to stamp it out will probably prove successful. It may be noted that in Hongkong the deaths amounted to about one per cent. of the Chinese population, and they would have been less but for the ignorance and superstition of the people, who resented domiciliary visits by Europeans and were suspicious of the attentions of white doctors. In India there is an educated section of the native community in all large towns, and native medical practitioners abound, so that the masses can be reached through their own countrymen. This fact materially facilitates any action that may have to be taken when epidemics have to be dealt with.'

This, of course, is very reassuring, so far as the respectable portion of the inhabitants of Colombo are concerned. But it nevertheless behoves the Municipal and sanitary authorities to exercise the greatest vigilance to prevent the outbreak of the disease occurring in the crowded and insalubrious native quarters of Colombo. It is true that such a disease would be unlikely to have such dire effects in a town situated as Colombo is, close to the sea, and with an abundance of pure water, as would be the case in inland cities of India,—generally without any sanitary provisions whatever,—but in view of the scare which would, no doubt, be set up were the plague to be carried to Colombo, and in view also of the undoubted loss which would be suffered by the mercantile and shipping interests of the island were the Port Officer unable to supply ships calling at Colombo with a clean bill of health, it is sincerely to be hoped that the efforts now being made to prevent this occurrence will be entirely successful.—*Times of Ceylon.*

THE SEAL OF THE CONFESSIONAL.

THE PHILIPPINES INSURRECTION.

In perusing the many details of the rebellion in the Philippines, which have appeared in the columns of the *Straits Times*, one is apt to totally disbelieve that the first information that the Manila Government received was given by a priest, as learned by him from a woman in the confessional. Everyone, or, at any rate, Catholics have always been given to understand that anything, no matter of what nature, related to a priest in confession is considered sacred and inviolable. But, in this instance, it has been otherwise, seeing that the woman, who made the startling revelation in confession, is now under the protection of the Government, and the unfortunate priest, who divulged the secret, or, in other words, violated the seal of confession, has been put to a horrible death by the rebels. Many, perhaps, will think that under the circumstances, where the safety of his Government, and many innocent lives, were at stake, that he was justified in acting as he did. But, according to the ecclesiastical law, and the vows taken by a priest at his consecration, he was not justified in divulging anything mentioned to him under the seal of confession. His course should have been to have advised the woman to give the information to the Government *herself*, and he could have seen that she did so. There are many instances on record, where a priest has advised his penitent to make restitution to another with good effect before giving absolution in the case of a great wrong done; and there are also instances of priests who, rather than violate the sacred seal of confession, have allowed their own relatives to suffer imprisonment, and even death, knowing full well that they were innocent. It is only a few years ago since a play was introduced at the Haymarket Theatre, in London, which had a run of some two or three hundred nights, besides being played in the provinces, wherein a priest is depicted of having divulged something related to him in the confessional, and it raised a storm in the English Catholic press, as a thing utterly unknown and was denounced from a number of pulpits by many an eminent preacher as an insult to religion. However, as in the case of the recent episode in the Philippines, it cannot now be said to have been a thing impossible, and it will be interesting to note if the Catholic press will have anything to say on the subject. Some little information from those versed in canon law would also be interesting, especially to those belonging to a church in which confession is largely carried on. In the Church of England, too, auricular confession is authorized and even encouraged by the ritualistic clergy; and the views of an Anglican clergyman, as to whether he would divulge anything related to him under seal of confession, would be of some little interest also.—*Straits Times.*

NEW PIANO and Organ Repairing Material and Machinery just to hand; also the latest Music. W. Robinson & Co.

THE annual report of the London Missionary Society shows that the society's European missionaries number 252, and its native Christian agents 2,557, exclusive of Madagascar, where, before the French invasion, there were 6,940 native preachers and 1,300 native congregations. Of the income of 141,704*l*., no less than 18,610*l*. was raised at the mission stations.

STATISTICS of the trade of Liverpool show that between 1890 and 1895 there were reduced exports from the Mersey port to the amount of 26,500,000*l*. On the other hand, it is pointed out that the value of exports from the port of Cottonopolis in 1895, the second year of the working of the Ship Canal, was 8,776,000*l*., a figure which is certain to be largely increased this year. Manchester's total export value of 1895 was one-ninth that of Liverpool.

IN consequence of the rapid development of gold mining in Southern British Columbia, and the demand for better railway accommodation, the Dominion Government has decided to ask Parliament next session for a loan to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to build a branch line from Lethbridge, Alberta, to Nelson, British Columbia, through Crow's Nest Pass. The length of the line will be 300 miles, and the estimated cost is 10,000,000 dols. The railway will run through enormous coalfields, hitherto inaccessible.

GRANDMA (who has just arrived for a visit)—Well, Freddie, I suppose your father was greatly surprised to get my telegram saying I was coming. Freddie—Yes; but ma was the most surprised. Grandma—Ah the glad news, I suppose. Freddie—No; at papa's language.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(*Times of Ceylon.*)

THE QUEEN'S EYESIGHT.

London, Oct. 8.—The Queen is suffering from her eyes, and is being treated by Dr Pagenstecher, the German oculist. The malady is nothing abnormal and is merely due to Her Majesty's age.

OBITUARY.

The death is announced of General Sir James Abbott.

October 5.—The death is announced of Mr Henry Byron Reed, Conservative member for East Bradford.

[Mr Reed was 41 years of age. At the last General Election he beat Mr W. S. Caine, Home Ruler, by 5,843 votes to 5,139. He was born in the City of London in 1855, but it was in Darlington politics that he made his mark. He was Chairman of the National Union of Conservative Associations at the Birmingham Conference, 1891; and was well known as a lecturer and speaker on church and political subjects throughout England and Wales. He sat as M.P. for the same Parliamentary division from 1886 to 1892. He was a Conservative, in favour of Fair Trade, Old Age Pensions in co-operation with the Friendly Societies, an eight hours' system for dangerous trades, of freehold houses for the working classes, and of temperance reforms, but not of the Local Veto.]

THE SIBERIAN RAILWAY THROUGH MANCHURIA.

Pekin, October 5.—The construction of the Siberian railway across Northern Manchuria has been sanctioned, but a branch through Southern Manchuria has been refused.

THE CZAR'S TRAVELS.

London, Oct. 4.—The Czar and Czarina left Balmoral last night for Portsmouth, where the Channel Squadron of thirty-one vessels was assembled. The Squadron will form an escort for the Imperial Yacht half-way to Cherbourg. Their Majesties sleep to-night on board the yacht which sails early to-morrow morning.

October 5.—The Czar and Czarina sailed for Cherbourg this morning from Portsmouth, escorted by a fleet of thirty-two men-of-war. The newspapers, dwelling on the visit, emphasize the fact that whatever the political outcome may be, the Czar learned during his stay that the pro-Armenian movement in Great Britain is genuine, and wholly foreign to any political designs.

Oct. 6.—The Czar has conferred the Grand Cordon of the Newsky Order on M. Loubet, M. Brisson, M. Meline and M. Hanotaux.

BIG FIRE AT CALCUTTA.

Calcutta, Oct. 8.—The Uullapara Jute Bazaar was burnt down yesterday. The estimated loss is one lakh of rupees; no lives were lost.

GERMANY AND HER DIGNITY.

London, October 5.—The German Press affirm that Said Khalid being a political prisoner it was impossible to extradite him, and that he was removed openly under a show of force in order to assert the dignity of Germany because Great Britain protested.

Berlin, October 7.—The *Cologne Gazette* publishes a violently anti-English letter from Zanzibar affirming that Said Khalid is the rightful heir to the throne, and that Consul Cave and General Matthews promised to reinstate him if he left the Palace. The letter adds that the British marines looted in a manner unworthy of disciplined troops, and concludes by a virulent personal attack on Consul-General Hardinge and Consul Cave.

HEAVY FALL IN CONSOLS.

London, October 7.—The heavy fall in Consols is ascribed partly to a sharp drop in American Exchange, pointing to a renewed drain of gold on the Bank of England and partly to the uneasiness concerning the next settlement.

SPANISH DEFEAT IN CUBA.

London, October 7.—The latest advices from Cuba state that the Spaniards have sustained three sharp reverses at the hands of the insurgents.

FENIANS SHIPPED TO NEW YORK.

London, Oct. 5.—The Fenians Kearney and Haines were quietly shipped to New York by the Rotterdam police.

SIR W. HARCOURT ON AN UNDERSTANDING WITH RUSSIA.

London, Oct. 5.—Sir William Harcourt, speaking at Ebbwvale, said he was in favor of an understanding with Russia on the whole Eastern question, and the abrogation of the Cyprus Convention.

THE TIMES ON CHANGES IN INDIAN LIFE AND THOUGHT.

London, Oct. 6.—The *Times*, in a special article on Indian affairs, compares the success of Ranjitsinhji to that of Chatterji and Professor Bose in the intellectual arena, all denoting important changes in life and thought in India.

ABANDONING CAMPS OF EXERCISE IN INDIA.

Calcutta, Oct. 7.—The Hyderabad Camp of Exercise has been abandoned on account of the food-scarcity in the district, and the Camp of Exercise near Mozuffernagar is also likely to be dropped.

THE rateable value of London, according to the quinquennial valuation now operative, has increased during the last five years by 2,750,000*l*., making a total of nearly 36,000,000*l*. This means that, while the rate remains the same, the London County Council will get 100,000*l*. more than last year, the London School Board 80,000*l*., and the water companies 65,000*l*.

THE steamer *Loongmoon*, which arrived at Shanghai on the 14th October, reported having experienced very heavy weather between Swatow and Shanghai. Soon after leaving the former port, she encountered a heavy easterly gale, with tremendous sea and thick rain, which gradually veered to north, blowing with terrific violence. The officers say that in spite of the heavy sea the vessel, which is a new one, behaved splendidly, rolling very slightly and shipping comparatively little water.

Hongkong Tides.

22nd to 28th October.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water: Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water: Height.	Low Water: Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water: Height.
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Sun.	25	m 11 40 9 51 a	2 6 5 8	m 6 12 5 36 a	-0 4 1 11
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Tues.	27	No inferior 10 53 a	high- 5 7	no low- m 6 59	water -0 3
Wed.	28	No inferior 11 51 a	high- 5 4	no low- m 8 6	water -0 1

Temperature.

(*Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.*)

HONGKONG, October 21, 1896.

BAROMETER—9 A.M.	...	30.[illegible]
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Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Suisang* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 21st Inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, October 20, 1896. 2116

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *KHEDIVE*.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—
From LONDON, &c. ex s.s. *Arcadia*.
From CALCUTTA, ex s.s. *Coromandel*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 a.m. on 17th Inst.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 16, 1896. 2090

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *JAPAN*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—
From ITALY, ex s.s. *Clyde*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 a.m. TO-MORROW, 17th Inst.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 16, 1896. 2088

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For Freight, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 12, 1896. 2062

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).



The Co.'s Steamship
Zafiro,
Captain CORNAN, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 22nd Instant, at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for Passengers.

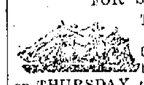
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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, October 20, 1896. 2115

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.



The Co.'s Steamship
Chefoo,
Capt. CARNAGHAN, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 22nd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2108

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.



The Co.'s Steamship
Izumi Maru,
will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Noon.

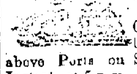
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Hongkong, October 7, 1896. 2017

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.



The Co.'s Steamship
Knight of St. John,
Capt. A. H. BILLET, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2106

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.



The Warrack Line Steamer
Argyll,
Capt. WM. WARD, will be despatched for the above port at Noon on TUESDAY, the 27th October.

To be followed by
'Milburn' Line Steamer
Port Phillip,
on or about the 9th November.
And 'Mogul' Line Steamer
Afridi,
on or about the 24th November.

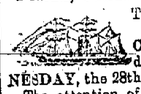
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Agents.

Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2032

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FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.



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Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2113

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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The Co.'s Steamship
Menelaus,
Capt. TOWELL, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 30th October.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2111

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The Co.'s Steamship
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Hongkong, October 5, 1896. 2012

FOR SINGAPORE, PORT SAID AND ODESSA.



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Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2083

Shipping.

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Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2114

FOR NEW YORK.



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S. D. Carleton,
Captain E. T. AMESBURY, now loading for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 2100

FOR NEW YORK.



The 3/3 *A.I.I.* American Ship
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Hongkong, August 28, 1896. 1741

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, October 9, 1896. 2034

FOR NEW YORK.



The *L.I.I.* American Ship
William J. Rotch,
Capt. S. LANCASTER, is loading for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, October 12, 1896. 2007

FOR BALTIMORE.



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Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 2099

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Hongkong, October 21, 1896. 2031

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S.S. *Germania*.....December.

TO JAPAN.

S.S. *Federation*.....October.
S.S. *Germania*.....November.
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Hongkong, September 23, 1896. 483

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China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Nov. 12, at noon.
Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	SUNDAY, November 29, at daylight.

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J. S. VAN BUREN,
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Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	WEDNESDAY, Nov. 4, at noon.
Belgic (via Shanghai, Naga-saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	SATURDAY, Nov. 21, at noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	TUESDAY, Dec. 8, at noon.

THE Steamship *DORIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th November, at Noon, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 9, 1896. 1947

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th October, at Noon the Company's Steamship *CALEDONIEN*, Capt. L. BLANC, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call *without Transhipment*.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 27th October. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 14, 1896. 2076

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Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Braemar	3,601	W'nesday	Nov. 4.
Tacoma.....	2,949	Thursday	Nov. 26.
Victoria	3,167	Tuesday.	Dec. 8.
Olympia	2,603	Tuesday.	Dec. 29.

THE Steamship *BRAEMAR*, Captain E. PORTER, sailing at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th November, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *viâ* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, October 19, 1896. 2110

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;
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THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Preussen.....	Tuesday	November 10
Sachsen.....	Tuesday	December 8.
Bayern.....	Tuesday	January 5.
Prinz Heinrich...	Tuesday	February 2.
Preussen.....	Tuesday	March 2.

ON TUESDAY, the 10th day of November, 1896, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *PREUSSEN*, Captain P. WETTIN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 7th November. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 9th November, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 9th November. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

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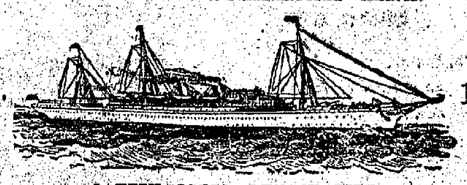
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Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 2098

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EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 28th Oct./96.
EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. O. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R..WEDNESDAY, 25th Nov./96.
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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, *General Agent*,
PEDDER STREET.

Hongkong, September 30, 1896. 1982

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having Returned to Hongkong from Honolulu by the PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.'s Steamer *City of Peking*, desires to call attention to the KINDNESS and CONSIDERATION SHOWN the Chinese Steerage Passengers by Captain J. TREMAINE SMITH, the DOCTOR, and Mr. CÆSAR CHRISTIAN, the Steerage Steward, on the last voyage from Honolulu.

W. A-KIU,
Merchant, Honolulu.

Hongkong, October 20, 1896. 2118

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Hongkong, September 22, 1896. 1917

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Hongkong, July 6, 1896. 1375

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Hongkong, September 3, 1896. 1786

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Extra Bedroom, per month	$10 to 30.00

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Hongkong, April 4, 1896. 725

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Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

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Hongkong, April 1895. 938

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Hongkong, May 18, 1896. 1029

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		Price. Highest. Cash.	Lowest. Cash.	Chinese Names.
Butcher Meat.				**肉食**
Bacon, English,	lb.	—	—	來路烟猪肉
,, Ame. Sugar cured	,,	330	—	花旗烟猪肉
,, Foochow,	,,	—	—	福州烟猪肉
,, Japan, cured	,,	—	—	日本烟猪肉
Beef sirloin & prime cut.	catty	140	—	尾龍扒
,, Corned,	catty	140	—	鹹牛肉
,, Roast,	,,	140	—	燒牛肉
,, Soup,	,,	100	—	湯肉
,, Steak,	,,	140	—	牛肉絆
Bullock's Brains,	per set	60	50	牛腦
,, Tongue fresh,	each	350	—	牛爛
,, ,, corned	,,	350	—	鹹牛利
,, Head,	,,	500	—	牛頭
,, Heart,	,,	150	—	牛心
,, Hump, Salt	catty	140	—	牛肩
,, Feet,	each	60	50	牛爛
,, Kidneys,	,,	50	—	牛腰
,, Tail,	,,	100	—	牛尾
,, Liver,	catty	70	—	牛肝
,, Tripe (undressed)	catty	60	50	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet,	set	500	—	牛仔頭脚
Hams, American,	lb.	320	—	花旗火腿
,, Chinese,	,,	200	—	金華火腿
,, English, New,	,,	420	—	來路火腿
,, Japan cured,	,,	—	—	日本火腿
,, Shanghai,	,,	200	—	上海火腿
Mutton Chop,	,,	150	—	羊脾骨
,, Leg,	,,	150	—	羊脾
,, Shoulder,	,,	120	—	羊手
Pigs' Chitlings,	catty	70	60	猪腸
,, Feet,	,,	120	—	猪脚
,, Fry,	,,	100	—	猪雜
,, Head,	each	500	450	猪頭
,, Heart,	,,	50	40	猪心
,, Kidneys,	pair	90	—	猪腰
,, Liver,	lb.	140	—	猪肝
Pork, Chop,	catty	190	—	猪牌骨
,, Corned,	,,	—	—	鹹猪肉
,, Leg,	,,	190	—	猪脾
,, Fat or Lard,	,,	130	—	猪油
Sheeps' Head and Feet,	set	350	—	羊頭蹄
,, Heart,	each	50	40	羊心
,, Kidneys,	,,	70	—	羊腰
,, Liver,	lb.	150	140	羊肝
Sucking Pigs,	each	$1.75	$1.25	猪仔
Suet, Beef,	lb.	110	—	生牛油
,, Mutton,	,,	100	—	生羊油
Veal,	catty	130	—	牛仔肉
Poultry.				**生口**
Chicken,	catty	220	—	鷄仔
Capons,	,,	350	—	閹鷄
Ducks,	,,	160	—	鴨
Doves,	each	130	—	鴿
Eggs, Hen	doz.	130	—	鷄蛋
,, Duck	,,	110	—	鴨蛋
Fowls,	catty	160	—	鷄
Geese,	,,	200	—	鵝
Hares,	each	—	—	兎仔
Musk Deer,	,,	—	—	麝鹿
Partridges,	,,	450	—	鷓鴣
Pigeons,	,,	170	—	白鴿
Pheasant,	brace	$1.40	—	上海山鷄
Rice Birds,	doz.	400	—	禾花雀
Quail,	each	170	—	鵪鶉
Snipe,	,,	160	—	沙鷁
Turkeys, Cock,	catty	600	—	火鷄公
,, Hen,	,,	350	—	火鷄婆
Teal,	each	500	—	水鴨
Wild Ducks,	pair	—	—	上海水鴨
Fish.				**海鮮**
Barbel,	catty	160	—	加魚
Bream,	,,	—	—	鯛魚
Bombay Ducks,	100 pieces	200	—	孟咪魚
Coton Fresh Water Fish,	catty	—	—	海魚
Carp,	,,	110	—	鯉魚
Catfish,	,,	—	—	赤魚
Codfish, Salt,	,,	—	—	鹹鱈魚
Crabs,	,,	180	—	蟹
Cuttle Fish,	,,	100	—	墨魚
Dab,	,,	100	—	沙孟魚
Dace,	,,	90	—	黃尾鯽
Dog Fish,	,,	—	—	吹倒沙
Eels, Congor,	,,	—	—	海鰻
,, Fresh water,	,,	250	—	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow,	,,	160	—	黃鰻
Flie Fish,	,,	—	—	鯧皮洋
Frogs,	,,	200	—	田鷄
Fresh Fish,	,,	100	—	鮮魚
Garoupa,	,,	250	—	石斑
Gudgeon,	,,	90	—	白鮕魚
Gurnard,	,,	140	—	紅魚
Herrings,	,,	110	—	鯡白
,, smoked	box	—	—	鯡黃鯧甲
Halibut,	catty	190	—	鮃魚
Labrus,	,,	110	—	黃花魚
Loach,	,,	190	—	鱓魚
Lobsters,	,,	120	—	龍蝦
Mackerel,	,,	—	—	鯖魚
Monk Fish,	,,	—	—	老鼠
Mullet,	,,	150	—	鯔魚
Oysters,	,,	800	—	生蠔
Perch,	,,	140	—	鱸
Pike,	,,	—	—	花攻魚
Plaice,	,,	—	—	班魚
Pomfret, White	,,	250	—	白鯧
Pomfret, Black	,,	140	—	黑鯧
Prawns,	,,	250	—	明蝦
Ray,	,,	50	—	琵琶沙
Rock Fish,	,,	80	—	石狗公
Roach,	,,	—	—	鯊魚
Salmon, (Canton),	,,	250	—	馬友魚
Shark,	,,	50	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	,,	160	—	鹹魚
Skate,	,,	60	—	鯆魚
Shrimps,	,,	120	—	蝦
Snapper,	,,	150	—	青魚
Soles,	,,	120	—	樣沙魚
Tench,	,,	—	—	鯇魚
Turbot,	,,	110	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,	,,	360	—	龜魚
Whiting,	catty	—	—	長魚
White Bait,	,,	—	—	鹹魚仔
Fruits.				**菓子**
Apples, (California),	catty	180	—	金山平菓
,, (Tientsin),	,,	—	—	天津平菓
,, (Japan),	,,	—	—	日本平菓
Bananas, fragrant,	,,	30	—	香蕉
,, (brides),	,,	30	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,	,,	120	—	栗子
Carambola,	,,	100	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts,	each	50	—	椰子
Ground Nuts,	catty	100	—	花生
Grapes,	,,	300	—	鮮提子
Lemons, China,	,,	60	—	檸檬
,, Peel,	,,	—	—	桔餅
Lichees, Dried,	,,	240	—	荔枝乾
,, Fresh,	,,	—	—	荔枝
Limes,	,,	—	—	柠檬
Mango, (Saigon),	each	—	—	安南芒菓
,, (Manila),	,,	—	—	呂宋芒
Mangosteen,	dozen	—	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet,	catty	—	—	新會甜橙
,, Green,	,,	40	—	青橙
,, Red,	,,	—	—	紅桔
Olives,	,,	80	—	白欖
Pine-apples,	each	—	—	本地菠蘿
Pears,	catty	—	—	沙梨
,, (Tientsin),	,,	100	—	天津雪梨
Pumelo,	each	80	—	碌柚
,, (Siam),	catty	100	—	邏羅柚
Peach, (Sweet),	,,	—	—	甜桃
Raisins, Muscatel,	,,	—	—	珠提子
,, Pudding,	,,	—	—	珠提子
Water Chesnuts, com.	,,	40	—	馬蹄
,, Mandarin,	,,	40	—	荏林馬蹄
Walnuts,	,,	120	—	合桃
Vegetables, &c.				**菜蔬**
Artichokes, Shanghai,	catty	80	—	上海丫治竹
Bean, (French),	,,	80	—	佛蘭西邊豆
,, Long,	,,	60	—	豆角
Beet Root,	each	20	—	菜菔頭
Brinjals, Green,	catty	30	—	紅矛茄
,, Red,	,,	—	—	青茄
Brassica,	,,	30	—	白菜
Bamboo Shoots,	,,	60	—	竹筍
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,, English,	,,	—	—	洋芹菜
Chilies Dried,	,,	130	—	辣椒乾
,, Red,	,,	90	—	紅辣椒
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Bitter Squash,	,,	40	—	苦瓜
Garlic,	,,	40	—	蒜頭
Ginger, young,	,,	50	—	勃子薑
Horse Radish, S'hai,	,,	120	—	方根
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Onions, Bombay,	,,	50	—	洋蔥頭
,, Green,	,,	40	—	生蔥
,, Shanghai,	,,	40	—	上海蔥頭
,, Japan,	,,	40	—	日本葱頭
Okroes,	,,	50	—	毛脚
Parsley, English,	bundle	10	—	洋荽菜
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The building of the part of the great Siberian railway from Tshelabinsk to Krasnoyarsk was finished in December last year. A regular communication for passengers exists now from Tshelabinsk, *vid* Omsk, to the railway station at Bolotnaya. From Bolotnaya to Krasnoyarsk trains run now for coolies and railway officials only. The regular passenger trains will be started between Bolotnaya and Krasnoyarsk probably next winter. The first train with the railway officials came to Krasnoyarsk on the 18th of December last, and was met in the station by the Governor, mayor, high officials and a crowd of the public. The mayor delivered a speech. The station was decorated with flags and garlands. After a thanksgiving divine service, the officials came to the Town Hall, where a breakfast was given. Some telegrams were sent to St. Petersburg. In January this year the Minister of Communications, Prince Khilkoff, came to Krasnoyarsk to see the Siberian railway. He came by express train from St. Petersburg in seven days only. The railway from Krasnoyarsk to Irkoutsk, *vid* Runsk, is now building rapidly. At Krasnoyarsk a big bridge across the river Yenisei will be erected. Krasnoyarsk is the capital town of the Yenisei government (district).

This wide and rich province extends from the Chinese frontier to the Kara Sea and North Ocean. The southern part of the province is populated, besides Russian people, by the Tartarians, the northern by the Tunguses. The soil in the southern and middle parts is fertile and the farmers are rich. Here are also very rich gold mines. Krasnoyarsk was formerly not large, but grew up during the building of the railway. The trade increased also and there are here some rich Russian merchants. Besides the government's branch bank, there is a branch of the Siberian Trade Bank, which was opened this year. There is also an agent of the English Naval Expedition of Mr Poppam, who sells ironwork. This company receives goods directly from England by sea through the river Yenisei, and is allowed by the Russian Government to transport the ironwork from England and to sell, free from duty. Japanese and Chinese goods, silk, etc., are very seldom brought from the Far East here; a dealer in these goods could make a good fair business. Not far from Krasnoyarsk is a sugar refinery, the only one in Siberia. When the Siberian railway is completely built, Krasnoyarsk will be a great centre for Siberian trade. Besides Krasnoyarsk, there are in the Yenisei province towns such as Minousinsk, Atchinsk, Yeniseysk, and in the northern part Tourouhansk. The trade is there less than at Krasnoyarsk. The northern sea coast is desolate.

The following curious incident took place at Tomsk (Western Siberia). Some weeks ago, a young man was travelling by railway from European Russia to Siberia under the name of Prince Shirinsky-Shakhmatoff, vice-procurator of the Court at Moscow. He said he was going to Siberia by order of the Government. During his journey, he called police officers and officials, gave several orders, and reprimanded the officials severely. 'I am sent here by the Government and can bring you to trial,' he asserted. He travelled in a first-class car, and lived luxuriously. Having no money, he borrowed it from the passengers, and promised to pay his debts at Tomsk, where he would receive money from the bank. When he reached Tomsk, he put up at a first-class hotel, paid visits to the Governor and high officials, and visited the University and Museum. During his stay at Tomsk, a fire happened, and the Prince, who was present, praised the firemen and rewarded them. The police requested him to show his passport, but he refused to do it. Finally the procurator came to his lodging and ordered him to tell who he really was. He then admitted that he was nobody but a commoner from Viatka, and was some time in a prison in European Russia for a burglary. Being free, he came to Siberia instead of going home. He admitted that his family name was not Shirinsky-Shakhmatoff, but Mourin, and showed his passport. He was immediately arrested and brought to trial for deception. —*N.-C. Daily News' Cor.*

CONTRACT HUNTERS AT PEKING.

HOW FOREIGN AGENTS ARE DUPED.

The London correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian* writes:—I hear that during the past summer the Chinese capital has been full of foreign agents desirous of pressing their wares and their schemes of development on the Chinese Government. They beset the Legations, seeking from their respective representatives introductions to the Ministers of the Yamen, and the latter appear to turn them all over to one of their number, Chang, who, having been abroad, is supposed to be best able to deal with such matters. These agents are of all classes, and most of them are from America. Many of them have taken residence in Pekin permanently, and have, as it were, sat down at the gates of the Yamen to await the day when China must awake and give orders for ships, rails, money, and all the other necessaries of an advanced civilisation. Ex-diplomatists there are among them whose previous official positions in Pekin and acquaintance with and access to the Ministers would, it was supposed, aid them now, and also distinguished naval and military officers, whose titles, no doubt, were expected to recommend their warlike wares; while railway contractors, shipbuilders, gun-makers, financiers are all represented by agents, who form quite a new colony in Pekin. But so far, my informant tells me, not a single order has been given. The stock excuse at one time was that China must settle about the indemnity first. Now this has changed, and applicants are told that nothing can be done until Li Hung Chang gets back and his report is considered. The curious point is that the French and Germans are almost wholly unrepresented. Eight years ago France had a commercial mission in China which almost overshadowed the French Legation, so showy and imposing was it. Three years ago it closed its doors, having secured one contract, though that, to be sure, was a good one, for it included the docks, fortifications, magazines, and armament of the unfortunate Port Arthur. Of the Germans nothing is heard, M. von Brandt, from whose mission great commercial results were expected, having returned home. British and Americans form the bulk of the contract-seekers at Pekin just now. I am persuaded that Li's return will do them little good. So long as the burden of the war indemnity is on the Chinese and they have little security to offer for fresh loans, so long will they have no money to spend on the objects offered them. I know that they are most eager to have a new fleet, and Li is earnestly desirous of having Captain Lang back to command it. But where is the money to come from? I am afraid few persons in this country understand that it is doubtful whether China has more than enough security to offer to Europe for loans sufficient to cover the indemnity alone, without thinking of funds for further expenditure. The total indemnity, with interest, amounts roughly to 225,000,000 taels. The Customs revenue, the only security China has, amounts in round to 21,000,000 taels, from which costs of collection have to be deducted, and also the charges of loans previous to the war. Probably 17,500,000 taels would be available to meet the indemnity, or about eight per cent. of the whole. Every succeeding loan will naturally cost China more and more, and by the time she has provided the 225,000,000 taels what security will she have left for a new fleet and all the other enterprises laid before her by European agents? Hence, too, the immense importance of increasing the amount derived as revenue from foreign trade. I have heard, further, the belief expressed that China's dire fiscal necessities may drive her into a liberality towards trade which her rulers would never adopt of their own will. Li goes back with the certainty that raising the Customs duties will be a very difficult matter, and the Chinese Government may therefore be driven into endeavouring to increase the volume of trade, as they were counselled to do months ago, before they sent their great man to Europe. It has been pointed out to me that the export trade of China has been increasing in the most satisfactory way since the blow of ten years ago to the black tea trade. Last year, in spite of the war, this increase amounted to over 10,000,000 taels, and about a third of the total Customs revenue was derived from the export duties. If Chinese officials could be forced by their present straits to assume a more favourable attitude to foreign trade, it might well be that China would get out of her difficulties on a wave of flourishing trade rather than on increased duties. Li may before he reaches the shores of Asia have come to this conclusion. It would save much delay and also much diplomatising and bargaining, in which in the end China may not be greatly the gainer.

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China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$76, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£ 100	£ 25	Tls. 192½, sellers
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 20	$27½, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$235, sales
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 50	$152½, sellers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$97, sales and buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	$ 50	$340, sellers
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$ 125	all	218 % prm., = $397.50, sellers
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 50	all	$70, sales
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$55, sales
H.K. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$38½, sales and sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$44, sales
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£ 10	£ 10	£6, sellers
			£ 10	£7, sellers
Do. (new issue).	20,000	£ 10	£ 5	£2.10, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$138½, sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	$ 100	all	$56, sellers
WHARVES.				
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$ 50	all	$58½, sales and sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited.	2,600	$ 100	$ 87½	$45½, buyers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	$ 50	$76, sales and sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company,	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$18½
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co.	25,400	$ 10	all	$9, sales and sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited.	12,500	$ 50	$ 40	$19, sales and sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$98, buyers
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	40,000	$ 5	all	$2.75, sellers
Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 4	all	$12, sales and sellers
Société Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin.	12,000	Fcs. 500	all	$372½
New Balmoral Gold M'ing Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 3	all	$1.60, sellers
Rank Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	13/10	$6, buyers
Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd.	A 15,000	$ 5	$ 5	$7 sellers
	B 20,000	$ 5	$ 2½	$3½, sellers
	25,000	$ 5	$ 1	$2
PLANTING, ETC.				
China-Borneo Company, Ld.	7,500	$ 100	$ 55	nom.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited. in liq.	6,000	$ 50	all	in liq.
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Lt.	12,000	$ 50	all	$26½, sellers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.	60,000	$ 10	all	$12.75, sellers
Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 5	all	$1, buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited.	7,000	£ 10	all	$110, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.	10,000	$ 10	$ 8	$8½
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 10	$ 10	$17½, sales
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	3,000	£ 1	£1	nom.
	7,000	£ 1	£ 15/-	nom.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited.	1,200	$ 10	all	$5
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$29½, sales and sellers
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld.	600	$ 50	all	$30
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	$ 7½	$ 5	$5, nom.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited.	5,000	$ 25	all	$103, sales
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 50	all	$130, buyers
Hwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.,	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 83, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.,	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 95
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	6,000	Tls. 100	Tls 100	Tls. 95
Carmichael & Co., Ld.	2,000	$ 25	$ 20	$3
Sop Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls 500	Tls. 503

* Founder's shares

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1896 8%	Tls. 167,000	Tls. 550	7 % p. annum	10 % prem.

A. G. STOKES, *Share-broker.*

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloong shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kettle's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor'ge.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Activ	...	...	Dan. str.	319	June 16	A. R. Marty	...	K'loon Dock
Ancona	5 k	Mudie	Brit. str.	1888	Oct. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Nagasaki	23rd inst.
Anvers	3 c	Dulling	Belg. str.	1689	Sept. 18	Butterfield & Swire		
Aswanly	3 c	Murray	Brit. str.	2293	Oct. 17	Ordor		
Australian	3 c	Helms	Brit. str.	2838	Oct. 18	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Sydney, &c.	To-morrow
Benvoirlich	5 c	Clark	Brit. str.	2164	Oct. 12	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Brindisi	5 k	Wickenden	Brit. str.	2265	Oct. 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Bygdo	3 c	Iversen	Norw. str.	771	Oct. 21	Chinese		
Taisang	2 c	Sawer	Brit. str.	1505	Oct. 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow	To-morrow
Cassius	3 c	Unruh	Ger. str.	1504	Oct. 20	Lauts, Wegener & Co.		
China	8 c	Voss	Ger. str.	1114	Oct. 17	Siemssen & Co.		
Chingtu	...	Innes	Brit. str.	1459	Oct. 10	Butterfield & Swire	...	Ab'deen Dock
Chunshan	2 c	Ferguson	Brit. str.	1232	Oct. 21	Bradley & Co.	Singapore	To-day
City of Peking	5 c	Smith	Amer. str.	3128	Oct. 19	P. M. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	27th inst.
Daphne	3 c	Samuelsen	Ger. str.	1291	Oct. 17	Siemssen & Co.		
Dorotha Rickmers	5 c	Pape	Ger. str.	2600	Oct. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Bangkok	To-morrow
Empress of China	5 h	Archibald	Brit. str.	3003	Oct. 6	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver, B.C.	28th inst.
Erato	4 c	Ostermann	Ger. str.	2836	Oct. 19	Siemssen & Co.	...	Cos'tan Dock
Gaelic	...	Pearne	Brit. str.	2690	Sept. 4	O. & O. S. S. Co.		
Ghazee	5 k	Bailey	Brit. str.	1764	Oct. 19	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	...	K'loon Dock
Hailoong	...	Davis	Brit. str.	748	Oct. 14	Douglas Steamship Co.	...	K'loon Dock
Hanau	5 h	Roach	Brit. str.	1182	Oct. 21	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Hohenzollern	...	Harrassowitz	Ger. str.	2039	Sept. 15	Melchers & Co.	...	K'loon Dock
Jacob Christenson	5 k	Hansen	Norw. str.	1098	Oct. 20	Melchers & Co.		
Keong-wai	2 c	Unsworth	Brit. str.	1114	Oct. 18	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kong Beng	7 h	Joslin	Brit. str.	800	Oct. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Krim	3 c	Irgens	Norw. str.	1117	Oct. 20	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Loongmoon	3 c	Schulz	Ger. str.	1245	Oct. 21	Siemssen & Co.		
Loyal	...	Lorensen	Ger. str.	1203	Oct. 8	Wieler & Co.	...	K'loon Dock
Machew	2 h	Farrell	Brit. str.	995	Oct. 15	Yuen Fat Hong.		
Memnon	5 k	Mogridge	Brit. str.	825	Oct. 17	Butterfield & Swire	Sandakan	
Nansban	...	Stovell	Brit. str.	1340	Oct. 19	Bradley & Co.	...	Cos'tan Dock
Orono	7 h	Hancock	Brit. str.	1321	Sept. 24	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Oslo	3 c	Pedersen	Norw. str.	777	Oct. 19	Chinese		
Pekin	5 k	Jephsen	Brit. str.	2133	Oct. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	To-morrow
Preussen	3 c	Wettin	Ger. str.	5180	Oct. 20	Melchers & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Propontis	5 c	Farrand	Brit. str.	1390	Oct. 16	Chinese		
Saratow	...	Khreptovitch	Russ. str.	3458	Oct. 14	Order	...	K'loon Dock
Sendai Maru	...	Olsen	Brit. str.	1064	Oct. 15	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	...	Ab'deen Dock
Shaftesbury	...	Jones	Brit. str.	1215	Oct. 14	Order	...	Ab'deen Dock
Skarpsno	3 c	Tolliesen	Norw. str.	1395	Oct. 18	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Strathallan	...	Macoubrey	Brit. str.	1488	Oct. 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	...	K'loon Dock
Suisang	5 h	Galsworthy	Brit. str.	1779	Oct. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	24th inst.
Sulberg	...	Jessen	Ger. str.	782	Oct. 18	Siemssen & Co.	...	K'loon Dock
Toonan	5 c	Mertens	Chi. str.	941	Oct. 20	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Wuotan	3 c	Ott	Ger. str.	1015	Oct. 10	Lauts, Wegener & Co.		
Zafiro	3 c	Cobban	Brit. str.	674	Oct. 19	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels.								
Belle of Bath	4 k	Curtis	Amer. sh.	1047	Sept. 2	Captain		
Clan Macfarlane	2 c	Templeton	Brit. sh.	1446	Sept. 15	Naval Yard		
Freiburg	8 c	Schutte	Ger. sh.	1905	Sept. 18	Melchers & Co.		
Glen Caladh	3 c	...	Brit. bqe.	466	Mar. 1	Chinese		
John Baizley	...	...	Amer. sch.	—	May 30	Order		
L. Schepp	3 k	Day	Amer. sh	1672	Sept. 29	Reuter, Brockelman & Co.		
Lothair	3 k	Ferretto	Italian bqe.	796	July 31	D. Musso & Co.		
Orient	3 k	Ploger	Ger. bqe.	461	Aug. 1	Wieler & Co.		
Paramita	7 c	Soule	Amer. sh.	1498	July 1	Standard Oil Co.		
Retriever	3 c	Walls	Amer. sch.	76	April 3	Captain		
Sachem	2 k	Lancaster	Amer. sh.	1311	June 12	Order		
S. D. Carleton	3 k	Amesbury	Amer. sh.	1788	Aug. 20	Standard Oil Co.		
St. Mark	3 k	Dudley	Amer. sh.	1930	Aug. 18	Order		
Velocity	3 c	...	Brit. bqe.	527	Oct. 1	Chinese		
West York	5 k	Davis	Brit. bqe.	688	Oct. 18	Order		
Wm. H. Smith	2 k	Wilson	Amer. sh.	1908	Aug. 21	Standard Oil Co.		
W. J. Rotch	2 k	Lancaster	Amer. sh.	1664	Sept. 12	M'ster		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Æolus	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Robert L. Groome	Yokohama
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3180	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Nagasaki
Archer	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	2200	Comd. C. E. Kingsmill	Nagasaki
Centurion*	twinscrew battle ship	10,500	41	13,000	Captain Spencer H. Login	Nagasaki
Daphne	sloop	1148	16	1400	Commander MacArthur	Hongkong
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	2	340	Lt.-Com. H. P. Barton	Yangtsze
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	6	460	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Nagasaki
Grafton	twin-screw cruiser, 1st class	7,350	36	10,000	Captain E. P. Jones	Yokohama
Humber	storeship	16 0	—	800	Commander F. W. Wyley	Shanghai
Immortalité	armoured cruiser	5600	34	8500	Captain Edward Chichester	Nagasaki
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	1050	Commander R. C. Sparkes	Port Lazareff
Narcissus	armoured cruiser	6500	34	8500	Commander MacAlpine	Hongkong
Pescouk	gunboat 1st class	750	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. H. J. D. Laxton	Chemulpo
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut. Domer	Manila
Pique	cruiser	3600	21	7000	Capt. Henry C. Bigge	Hongkong
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. Y. de Horsey	Muroran
Porpoise	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	3500	Commander F. R. Pelly	Singapore
Rainbow	cruiser	3600	21	7000	Captain Wm. C. C. Forsyth	Singapore
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	10	1200	Lt.-Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Nagasaki
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	205	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Shanghai
Spartan	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Alfred L. Winsloe	Yangtsze
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	1010	Lieut. Youel	Nagasaki
Tamar	ex-transport	2047	—	—	———	Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	5	340	———	Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser	5600	34	8500	Captain John S. Hallifax	Yokohama
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14	—	Commodore Hoyes	Hongkong
Wivern	coast-defence ship, armoured	2750	12	1450	———	Hongkong

Torpedo Boats in Reserve Nos. 8, 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first class; and 3 second class boats.

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, K.C.B.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Kornileoff	Russian cruiser	4950	32	8000	Captain Eltchaninoff	Vladivostock
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian flagship	7781	32	9500	Captain Kasherininoff	Hakodate
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	2	750	Captain Parenego	Vladivostock
Alger	French cruiser	4380	30	8000	Captain Bontet	Saigon
Arcona	German cruiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Barnow	Nagasaki
Aspic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Journet	Bangkok
Bayard	French flagship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Yokohama
Bengo	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	400	Capt. A. T. Da Costa e Silva	Hongkong
Bobre	Russian sloop	960	13	1150	Captain Molas	Nagasaki
Boston	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	3800	Captain F. Wildes	Chefoo
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3200	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Capilan	Manila
Combte	French gunboat	495	4	800	Capt. Simon	Shanghai
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2000	16	5400	Capt. Reiter	Shanghai
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthoft	Hakodate
Diu	Portuguese cruiser	720	—	—	Capt. Xavier de Brito	Macao
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	—	Capt. Duale	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander R. P. de Bonanza	Manila
Galdamak	Russian gunboat	400	2	3500	———	Kobe
General Alava	Spanish gun-vessel	1200	—	—	Capt. Ramon Rochiquet Freijillo	Manila
Gremiatchy	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1300	Capt. Bouchanoff	Nagasaki
Imperator Nicolai I	Russian ironclad	8200	32	8000	Capt. Foelkersham	———
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Commander du Bois	Yokohama
Isly	French cruiser	4380	32	8000	Captain Pillet	Manila
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	16	7500	Captain Zeye	Yokohama
Korejets	Russian sloop	1200	2	2150	Capt. Chalkovsky	Nagasaki
Kormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Commander Brinkmann	Chefoo
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	12	1200	Capt. Beklemishoff	Nagasaki
Lion	French gunboat	500	6	500	Lieutenant Gunbus	Saigon
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1050	16	1800	Commander Houston	Chemulpo
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1090	Captain Vimigra	Manila
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1900	9	1400	Commander Podlapolsk	Chefoo
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	850	Com. Belknap	Tientsin
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5500	14	13,500	Captain J. J. Read	Yokohama
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	12	2000	Captain Radloff	Chemulpo
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	8060	32	9000	Captain Rodionoff	Hakodate
Panther	Austrian cruiser	1500	—	—	Commander Koppe	Shanghai
Pluvier	French gunboat	845	8	450	Lieut.-Commander Vidal	Nagasaki
Princess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Captain Thiele	Nagasaki
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Com'der Juan Pavlaca	Manila
Rurik	Russian 1st class cruiser	10,280	32	13,500	Captain Krogius	Vladivostock
Saida	Austrian cruiser	2430	11	1800	Captain Spitzer	Nagasaki
Silatch	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Barassoff	Vladivostock
Sivootch	Russian cruiser	950	13	1100	Captain Astrowsk	Vladivostock
Vipere	French gunboat	460	4	450	Commander Journet	Nagasaki
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	18	3000	Commander Stockton	Nagasaki
Zafiro	Russian cruiser	1030	12	1420	Captain Berkeley	Hongkong
Zaragoza	Mexican cruiser	1300	8	1300	Admiral A. G. Morales	Nagasaki

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